

114TH CONGRESS
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S. 2767

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 7, 2016

Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. PETERS, and Mrs. SHAHEEN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “United States Cadet
5 Nurse Corps Equity Act of 2016”.

1 **SEC. 2. SERVICE DEEMED TO BE ACTIVE MILITARY SERV-**
 2 **ICE.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of section
 4 401(a)(1)(A) of the GI Bill Improvement Act of 1977 (38
 5 U.S.C. 106 note), the Secretary of Defense is deemed to
 6 have determined that qualified service of a person con-
 7 stituted active military service.

8 (b) DETERMINATION OF DISCHARGE STATUS.—The
 9 Secretary of Defense shall issue an honorable discharge
 10 under section 401(a)(1)(B) of the GI Bill Improvement
 11 Act of 1977 to each person whose qualified service war-
 12 rants an honorable discharge. Such discharge shall be
 13 issued before the end of the one-year period beginning on
 14 the date of the enactment of this Act.

15 **SEC. 3. PROHIBITION OF RETROACTIVE BENEFITS.**

16 No benefits may be paid to any person as a result
 17 of the enactment of this Act for any period before the date
 18 of the enactment of this Act.

19 **SEC. 4. QUALIFIED SERVICE DEFINED.**

20 In this Act, the term “qualified service” means serv-
 21 ice of a person as a member of the organization known
 22 as the United States Cadet Nurse Corps during the period
 23 beginning on July 1, 1943, and ending on December 15,
 24 1945.

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